

United States District Court

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Southern District of Texas
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DISTRICT OF

TEXAS

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

McAllen, Division

v.

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT David A. Bradley, Clerk

Ilsie Yvette Cardoza

Case Number: M-15-1187-M

A208 275 662

YOB: 1997

COC: USA

Name and Address of Defendant

I the undersigned complainant, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. On or about July 16, 2015 in Hidalgo County, in the Southern District of Texas defendant(s) did,

knowing or in reckless disregard of the fact that an alien has come to, entered, or remain in the United States in violation of law, transports, or moves or attempts to transport or move such alien within the United States by means of transportation or otherwise, in furtherance of such violation of law and conspired to bring alien to the United States disregarding any official action which may later be taken to such alien,

in violation of Title 8 United States Code, Section(s) 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii) & 1324(a)(1)(A)(v)
I further state that I am a(n) Customs and Border Protection Officer and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

See Attachment A

Continued on the attached sheet and made a part of this complaint:

☐ Yes

☒ No

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence,

Approved By: **J. Sturgis**

Signature of Complainant

Nidia Trevino

Printed Name of Complainant

July 17, 2015

Date

Peter E. Ormsby

U.S. Magistrate Judge

Name and Title of Judicial Officer

10:05pm at

McAllen, Texas

City and State

Signature of Judicial Officer

Attachment A

On July 16, 2015, the defendant, a United States citizen, attempted to bring illegally into the United States at the Hidalgo Port of Entry (POE) alien child C.M.C.G.(female, 7 years old), a Mexican citizen, as a United States citizen. At pedestrian primary, the defendant claimed the child as her younger sibling (step-sister), that she was a United States citizen, and presented a McAllen, Texas birth certificate bearing the name I.A. as proof. During the initial inspection, the defendant interrupted and would answer questions directed to the child. The defendant and the child were referred into secondary for further inspection.

In secondary, the defendant continued to claim the child was her sister. The child was asked to write her name on a piece of paper and did so but provided a different name. Upon being confronted with this information, the defendant admitted that the child was not her sister and that the child was a citizen of Mexico. She went on to say that she had made arrangements with her neighbor, Anahi G. GARCIA-Vega, (the child's mother) to have the child brought into the United States illegally. The defendant admitted that on July 16, 2015, she took her true sister's birth certificate from her mother's purse, and was driven by Ms. GARCIA to Hidalgo, Texas. She then met with the child's grandmother in Reynosa, Tamaulipas Mexico, took custody of the child and made her way back to the Hidalgo POE. If successful, the defendant was to turn the child over to Ms. Garcia who was residing in the United States illegally. The defendant claimed she was not going to get compensated in any way and stated she was only attempting to bring the child in as a favor to her friend.

CBP Officers made several attempts to contact Ms. Garcia. She eventually arrived at the POE to claim her child. She went on to say that she had discussed her need to bring her daughter into the United States with Beatriz Arroyo, the defendant's mother. She claimed that they agreed to have her drive the defendant to Hidalgo, and to have the defendant walk across the bridge once she had custody of the child. Ms. Garcia would be waiting for them at a local restaurant close to the POE. Ms. Garcia claimed that she was going to give the defendant \$100.00 dollars for her services.

Database queries on the child and Ms. Garcia revealed no legal status in the United States. The child was transported to the Rio Grande Valley, Centralized Processing Center pending housing.